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Subject: Re: complaint regarding water at public school

Karen, thanks!

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Cc: Victoria Binetti/R3/USEPA/US@EPA
Date: 02/19/2010 11:14 AM
Subject: Re: complaint regarding water at public school

I spoke with Len Shebby in the Northeast Field office overseeing Susquehanna County drinking water systems. I relayed the complaint to him and he indicated it was news to him. He was aware that the school lost water in November when a booster pump went down and citizens reported their concern that it was due to nearby gas wells. the pump was replaced and the water has been on since with no known quantity of quality problems.

Len called the Superintendent of schools for Elk Lake. The High school and the elementary school are each public water systems serving about 800 and 850 students respectively. The superintendent reported there had been no problems with the water (turned off or otherwise around 2/12) that he knew of, but he would check with his maintenance personnel and get back with Len.

I'll get you an update if anything changes, but at this point the complaint doesn't seem to have any basis.

Karen D. Johnson, Chief
Ground Water & Enforcement Branch

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Date: 02/18/2010 03:42 PM
Subject: Fw: URGENT PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY - PEACE! Tip Line 2010-039

Roseann Squilla, Admin Specialist

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[attachment "elk school district lead.pdf" deleted by Angela McFadden/R3/USEPA/US]

Martin,

this guy followed up his tip w/ this email. looks like we may already have it, but want to make sure you guys get it

Regina E. McIntyre
Special Agent
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From: Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy
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Subject: URGENT PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY - PEACE!

DEAR EPA STAFF,

PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT OUR GRASS-ROOTS -
NOT-FOR-PROFIT, COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION -
HAS RECEIVED A NUMBER OF VERY URGENT -
REPORTS FROM CITIZENS IN DIMOCK, PA.

THESE CONFIDENTIAL STATEMENTS -
MAKE IT VERY CLEAR THAT THERE EXISTS -
A PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY IN -
THE ELK LAKE SCHOOL DISTRICT.

PARENTS, CHILDREN, AND A TEACHER -
AND A SCHOOL WORKER [ALL WHO FEAR FOR THEIR -

SAFETY - AND FOR THE JOBS] REPORT TO US -
THAT THE SCHOOL WATER IS CONTAMINATED.

DRINKING FOUNTAINS ARE SHUT-OFF, WATER IN RESTROOMS -
AND IN THE KITCHEN DARK AND SMELLING -
AS OF "OPEN SCHOOL" - THIS PAST FRIDAY [2/12].

THE SCHOOL DISTRICT HAS TWO ACTIVE GAS WELLS -
ON SCHOOL PROPERTY - AND PERMITS FOR FIVE WELLS -
... SO CITIZENS ARE AFRAID OF A "COVER-UP".

AND THE SCHOOL HAS A PUBLIC POOL & AQUATIC CENTER -
AND DURING THE WINTER IT IS VERY HEAVILY USED.

URGENT:
SO THE CHILDREN ARE SWIMMING AND SHOWERING -
IN CONTAMINATED WATER - WHICH MAY ALSO BE RADIOACTIVE -
AND CONTAIN A HOST OF HEAVY METALS, BIOCIDES -
AND ANY NUMBER OF VOC, AND CHEMICALS.

PLEASE ADVISE.

PEACE,

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